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Homicide victim found in Everett

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Since April 7th, detectives have investigated the homicide that occurred in the 3400 block of Eclipse Mill Rd. The Snohomish Medical Examiner's Office identified the deceased as 54 year-old David A. Webster of Everett, who died as a result of homicidal violence.

Working through leads, detectives gathered enough information to arrest and book a suspect, 46 year-old James D. Archer, into the Snohomish County Jail on murder charges today. He is accused of killing the victim and dragging the body into a swampy area where it was later found. Allegedly, the victim was killed because he stole money from the suspect's girlfriend a few days earlier. The men argued about the theft then fought during which the victim was struck in the head. The suspect bound the victim, found the missing money then realized the victim was dead and tried hiding the body.

Detectives will continue their work but do not believe anyone else was involved.

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EVERETT – Detectives with the Major Crimes Unit are investigating the circumstances surrounding a homicide victim found in the City of Everett.

On April 7, 2016, at approximately 12 pm, a witness reported seeing a body in the 3400 block of Eclipse Mill Rd. Responding officers located the body of an adult male partially submerged in a swamp. Once recovered, it appeared the male died of homicidal means.

The Snohomish County Medical Examiner's Office took custody of the body, and will determine the cause and manner of death, as well as his identity.

Anyone with information about this incident is asked to call the Everett Police Department TIP LINE at (425) 257-8450 or Crime Stoppers of Puget Sound at 1-800-222-TIPS.

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